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Applicants hereby request that the Examiner acknowledge Applicants' 35 U.S.C. 119(a) claim to foreign priority in the instant application. Certified copies of the earlier Japanese applications, JP 9-326272 and JP 10-316578, filed November, 27 1997 and November 6, 1998, respectively, where filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on July 9, 2003. However, the Office Action mailed December 11, 2004 did not include any acknowledgement of Applicants' claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a).

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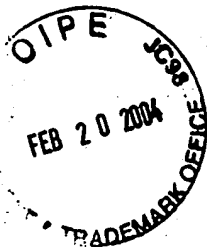
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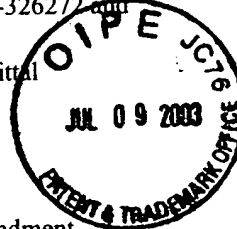
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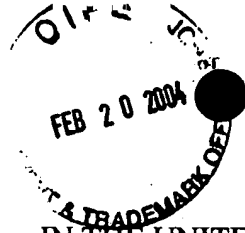
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In the matter of the above-identified application and under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 applicants claim the benefit of the following prior applications:

Application filed in : Japan
Serial No. : 9-326272
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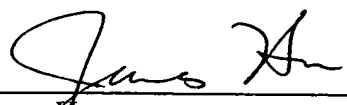
Application filed in : Japan
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1. ☒ Pursuant to the Claim to Priority, applicants submit duly certified copies of said foreign application.
2. ☐ A duly certified copy of said foreign application is in the file of application Serial No. _____, filed _____.

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Date of Application:

1997年11月27日

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Application Number:

平成 9年特許願第326272号

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[JP1997-326272]

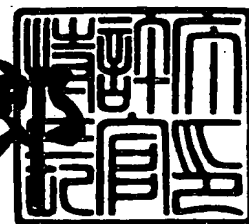
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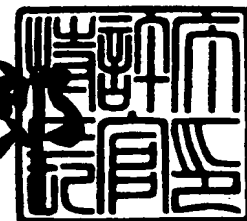
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